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Dear Examiner Rocchegiani:

Further to the Amendment filed on March 4, 2003, enclosed is a Supplemental Amendment, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

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For

METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING DEVICE SUBSTRATE WITH METAL

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

Further to the Amendment filed on March 4, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

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- --39. The method of claim 1, wherein said providing said intermediate gluing layer on said passivation layer comprises growing said intermediate layer by in-situ ultra high vacuum chemical vapor deposition (UHV CVD) growth of metal-Si-N.
- 40. The method of claim 39, wherein said metal comprises tungsten.
- 41. The method of claim 18, wherein said providing said passivation layer comprises growing said passivation layer by in-situ ultra high vacuum chemical vapor deposition (UHV CVD) growth of metal-Si-N.
- 42. The method of claim 41, wherein said metal comprises tungsten.